

NORTH CAROLINA STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION
Policy Manual

Item	Description
Policy Title	Textbook Commission
Policy Category	Textbooks (TEXT)
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Previous Policy Dates	08/03/1989, 01/08/2015
Statutory Reference	GS 115C-89
Administrative Procedures Act (APA)	16 NCAC 6D.0207

- A. Members of the Textbook Commission are appointed according to the provisions of G.S. 115C-87. In recommending persons for appointment to the Textbook Commission, the State Superintendent of Public Instruction is requested to recommend and the Governor is requested to approve the appointment of at least one member from each of the eight educational regions of the state.
- B. The State Superintendent or designee shall hold an orientation session as soon as possible after the appointment of new members of the Commission or after changes in the statutes and regulations relating to textbook adoptions.
- C. The primary responsibility of the Textbook Commission is to evaluate textbooks, as referenced in TEXT-000, and other duties as contained in G.S. 115C-88 and 115C-89.
- D. The Textbook Commission appoints advisors to assist in the evaluation of textbooks and directs them in the performance of their duties.
- E. Before beginning to evaluate textbooks, Commission members shall participate in a comprehensive training session presented under the direction of the State Superintendent.
- F. The State Superintendent will assign to members of the Department responsibility for assisting the Textbook Commission in the performance of its duties.
- G. The Commission may meet publicly with representatives of publishers to discuss the Commission's plans and procedures for adoption of textbooks. At no time may the Commission or any of its members meet privately with any publisher's representative.
- H. Commission members shall make recommendations for each textbook presented for adoption based on the requirements and criteria in the State Board of Education-approved Invitation to Submit Textbooks for Evaluation and Adoption in North Carolina.